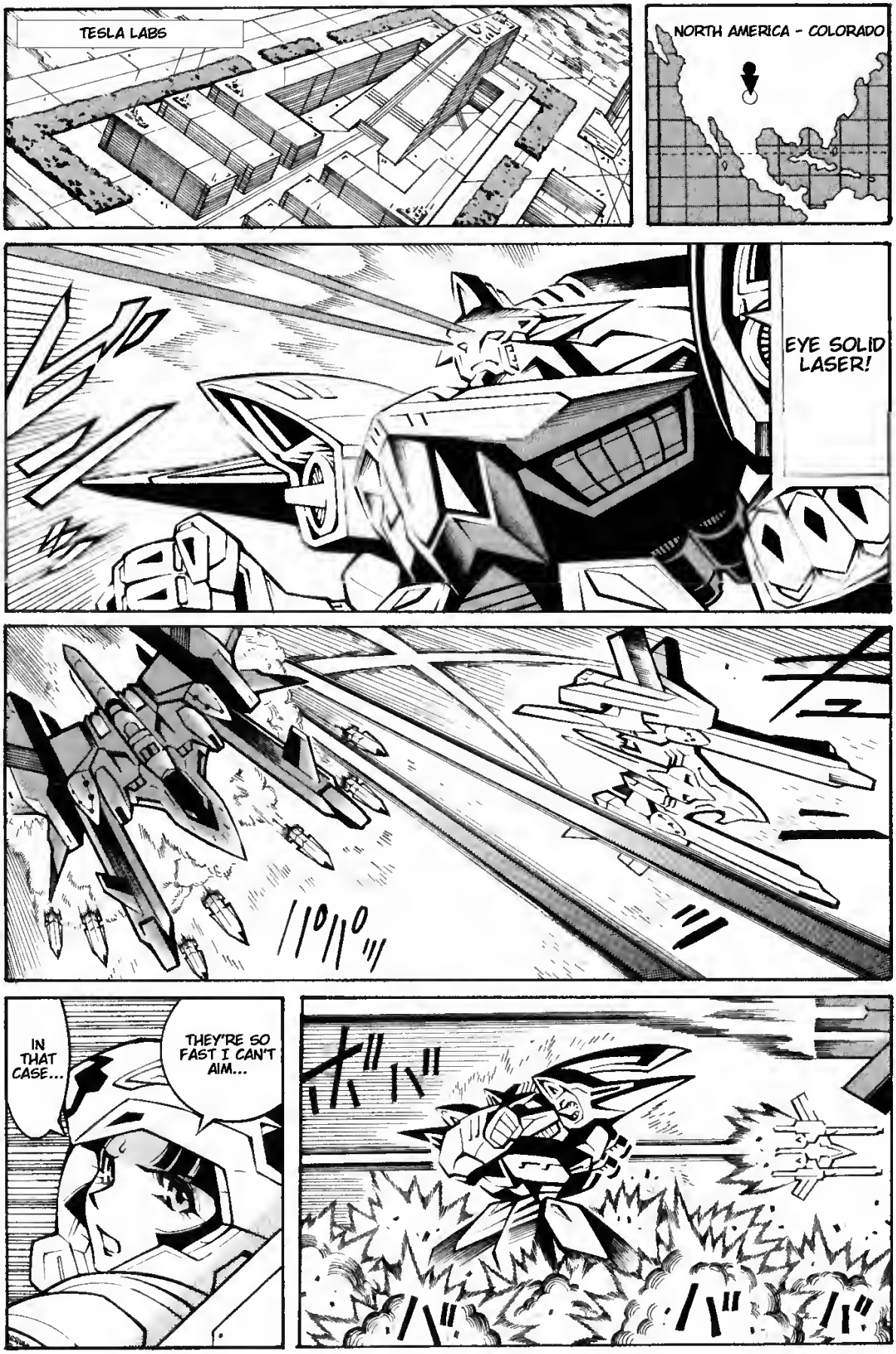
TESLA LABS
NORTH AMERICA - COLORADO
EYE SOLID LASER!
IN THAT CASE...
THEY'RE SO FAST I CAN'T AIM...

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AH!!
THE AIR-FLOW IS...!?
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THAT'S IT! END PROGRAM!
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ALL PILOTS PLEASE STEP OUT OF THE SIMULATORS!

THERE IS NO POINT IN DOING ANYMORE CO-ORDINATED BATTLE TRAINING BETWEEN ME AND 04!
PHEW ...
TOMORROW, WE'LL RUN THE SIMULATION WITH ONLY KUSUHA AND I AND THAT WILL BE ENOUGH!
I KNOW I'M IN-EXPER-IENCED...
THAT'S WHY I'M DOING MY BEST TO...
FOR THE FUTURE OF THE PROJECT...
SLEIGH, THE COMBINATION REGIMENT WITH YOU AND IBIS IS IMPORTANT...
EFFORT WITHOUT RESULT IS NOTHING BUT A WASTE!
WHAT WE MUST FOCUS ON NOW IS TO PREPARE THE CALION TO BE, NOT AN INTERSTELLAR VESSEL, BUT A WEAPON!
DO YOU UNDER-STAND?!
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OR OUR "PROJECT TD" HAS NO FUTURE...
ISURUGI
WE HAVE TO ANSWER THE DEMANDS OF OUR SPONSORS, ISURUGI HEAVY INDUSTRIES...
THIS IS THE ONLY CHOICE WE HAVE TO KEEP OUR RESEARCH FROM GOING DOWN THE DRAIN...
AS FORMER MEMBERS OF DC...
SIGH
THE "SHOOTING STAR" ISN'T FIT TO BE A TEST PILOT FOR THIS PROJECT...
I, THE NUMBER 1 PILOT, AM ENOUGH.
WHAT'S THE MATTER?!
EH!?
AH!!
KUSUHA? WHAT IS...
UM... IBIS...
IBIS, DO YOUR PILOT SUITS COME WITH MOTORS?
I THINK THE THE MOTOR IN THE ELBOW IS DAMAGED...
IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO MAKE ANY NOISE IF IT'S FINE... I NEED TO GET IT FIXED...

YEAH...
A NORMAL SUIT CAN'T HANDLE THE G'S DURING THE CALION'S FULL BOOST.
SO YOU NEED THEM TO PROTECT THE LIFE OF THE PILOT.
AND SINCE IT BECOMES DIFFICULT MOVING YOUR FINGERS THERE'S EVEN A POWER ASSIST SYSTEM...
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IT'S THE SAME WITH THE EXPANDED FIELD OF VISION ON THE HELMET...
IT'S TO LESSEN THE STRAIN ON THE NECK WHEN MOVING YOUR HEAD...
IT MEANS I'VE BEEN PUTTING A WEIRD STRAIN ON IT...
I REALLY AM INEXPERIENCED...
IBIS...
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BUT SINCE THIS HAPPEND...
AH, I'M NOT DEPRESSED OR ANYTHING.
WHAT SLEIGH SAID IS TRUE, BUT...

I'LL KEEP TRAINING, AIMING HIGHER AND HIGHER, ONE SMALL STEP AT A TIME.
IT'S NOT LIKE I'VE BEEN KICKED OUT YET...
TO THINK IT'S BEING DEVELOPED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES IS...
PROJECT TD...
I WILL NEVER GIVE UP ON MY DREAM...
BUT...
YEAH...
IS IT TRUE YOU DIDN'T HAVE ANY PILOTING EXPERIENCE BEFORE THE WAR...?
KUSUHA ...
WHAT YOU WANTED TO DO...?
SINCE I CLEARLY KNEW WHAT I WANTED TO DO AND THE WAY TO DO IT WAS RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME I DIDN'T WAVER...
I WANTED TO LESSEN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE GETTING HURT...
EVEN IF IT JUST MEANT ONE LESS PERSON...
NO I JUST WENT WITH THE FLOW...
OR... I HAD, BUT...
DIDN'T YOU FEEL ANY QUALMS ABOUT FIGHTING?

I'M GONNA BE DESPERATE TOO!
YOU ALREADY SEEM DESPERATE...
AH, AND...
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NO YOU'RE INCREDIBLE, KUSUHA!
ISN'T PILOTING A ROBOT FOR THOSE REASONS PRETTY STRANGE...
PHEW...
I WAS SO DESPERATE THAT TIME SO I DIDN'T NOTICE BUT...
IT'S PRETTY TOUGH TRYING TO EXPLAIN THE LOGIC BEHIND IT
SPACE ERA: 187 - CHINA - SHANDONG PROVINCE
IT WAS THANKS TO THE PEOPLE AROUND ME THAT I DIDN'T LOSE MY WAY...
I HAD A LOT OF ROLE MODELS WHEN IT CAME TO STICKING WITH WHAT YOU'VE DECIDED TO DO.
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I MADE AN ENERGY DRINK! WANT SOME?
BY THE WAY WHAT'S THAT YOU GOT THERE?
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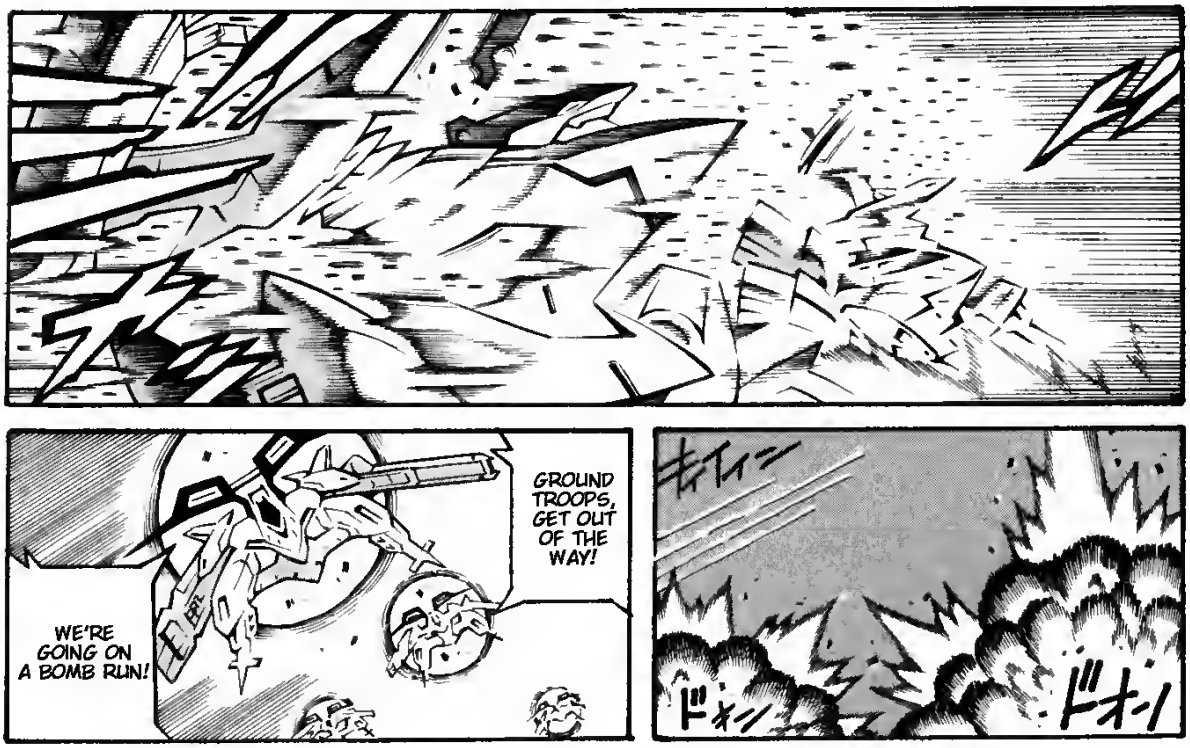
I CAN'T HIT IT! EVEN THOUGH IT'S JUST A DAMN PSEUDO-HUMANOID UNIT!
TCH!

IT'S... OTHELLO SQUAD...
NOT... THAT PT. IT'S...
ALTEISEN!
OF THE ATX TEAM!
ASSAULT 1.
CHAR-GING.

#1. ASSAULT AND BATTERY



ALL UNITS, EVASIVE MANEUVERS! WE'RE SITTING DUCKS LIKE THIS!
OUT OF RANGE SNIPING!? IT HIT WITH THE FIRST SHOT!?
YES! CIRCLE ZAMBER SET!
BUT YOUR ADVANCE HAS DULLED!
BULLET!
OH, NICE MOVES!
LOCK ON
LOCK ON

ALL UNITS, WE'RE BREAKING THROUGH THE ENEMY LINES IN A SINGLE COLUMN LIKE THIS.
ASSAULT 2, ROGER DODGER!
ASSAULT 3, ROGER.
REAR - FEDERATION SUPPRESSION FLEET.
EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE GOD KNOWS HOW EXPENSIVE CONCEPT MACHINES THEY SURE TAKE THEIR SWEET TIME...
THEIR PERFORMANCE IN THE L5 CAMPAIGN MUST HAVE BEEN NOTHING MORE THAN LUCK...
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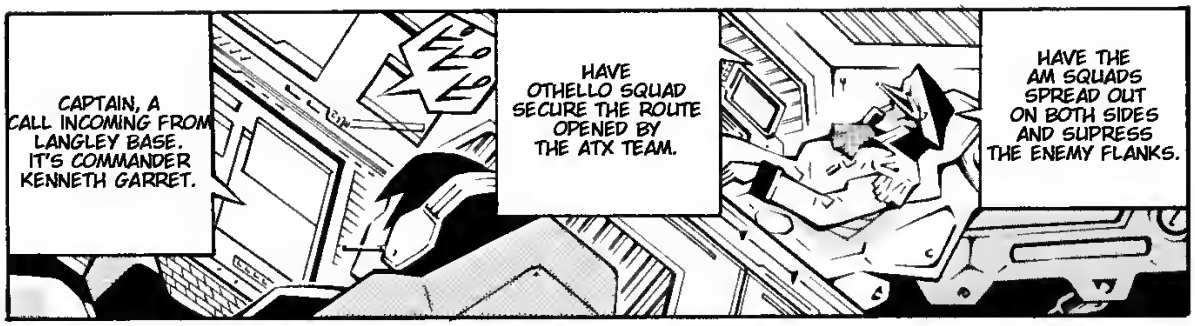
THE ATX TEAM HAS BROKEN THROUGH THE ENEMY FRONT LINE.
THEY ARE MAKING CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY FLEET'S DEFENSIVE LINE.


CAPTAIN, A CALL INCOMING FROM LANGLEY BASE. IT'S COMMANDER KENNETH GARRET.
HAVE OTHELLO SQUAD SECURE THE ROUTE OPENED BY THE ATX TEAM.
HAVE THE AM SQUADS SPREAD OUT ON BOTH SIDES AND SUPRESS THE ENEMY FLANKS.

HAVING TROUBLE MOPPING UP IN THE FAR EAST, LT. COLONEL LEE LINJUN?
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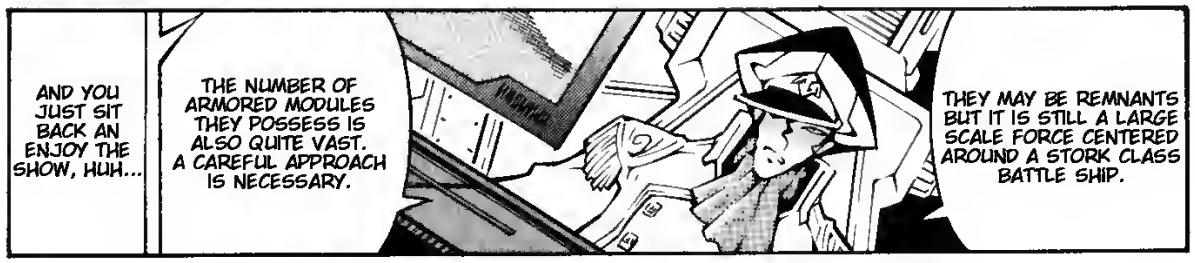
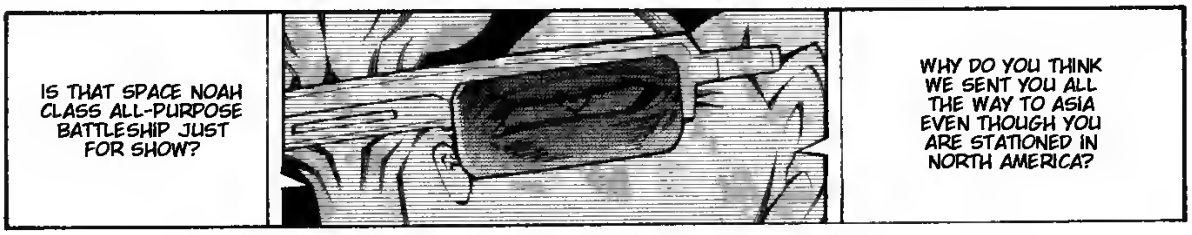
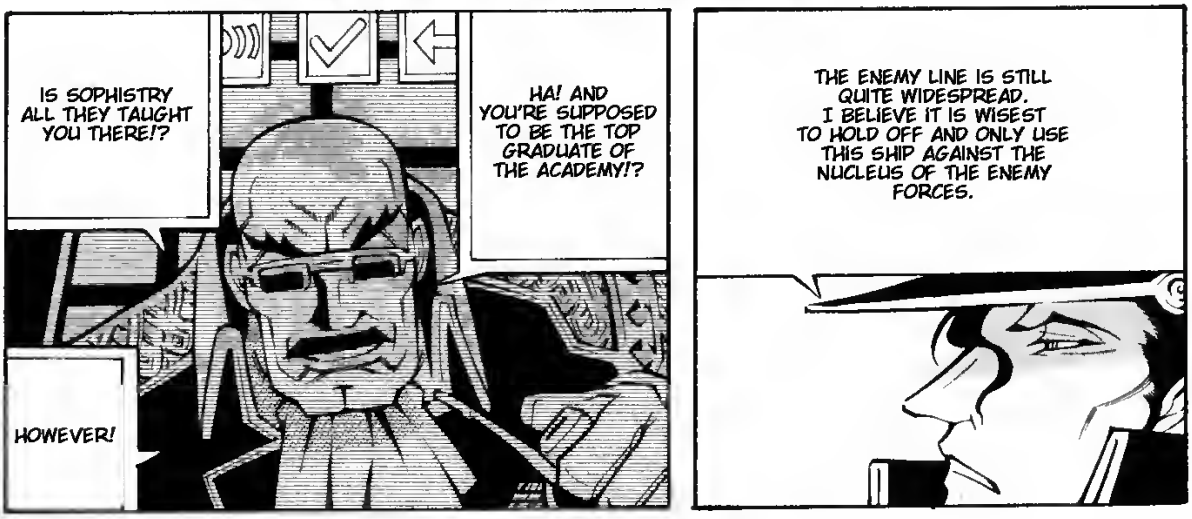
WHY IS HE CALLING HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF A BATTLE?!
PUT HIM ON.

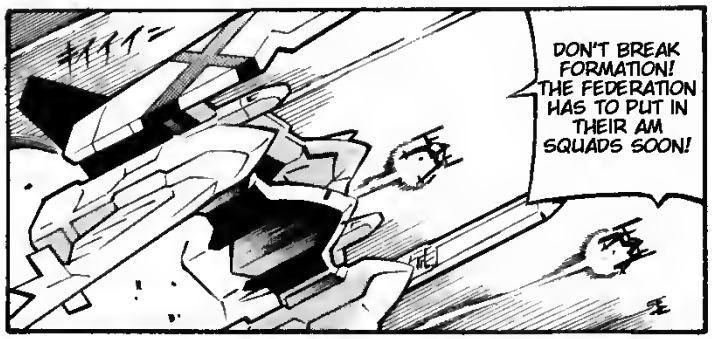

AND YOU JUST SIT BACK AN ENJOY THE SHOW, HUH...
THE NUMBER OF ARMORED MODULES THEY POSSESS IS ALSO QUITE VAST. A CAREFUL APPROACH IS NECESSARY.
THEY MAY BE REMNANTS BUT IT IS STILL A LARGE SCALE FORCE CENTERED AROUND A STORK CLASS BATTLE SHIP.


IS THAT SPACE NOAH CLASS ALL-PURPOSE BATTLESHIP JUST FOR SHOW?
WHY DO YOU THINK WE SENT YOU ALL THE WAY TO ASIA EVEN THOUGH YOU ARE STATIONED IN NORTH AMERICA?

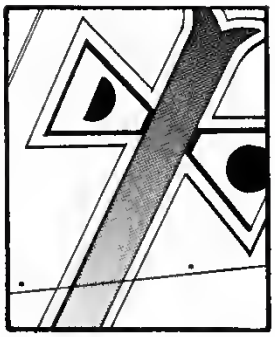

IS SOPHISTRY ALL THEY TAUGHT YOU THERE!?
HA! AND YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THE TOP GRADUATE OF THE ACADEMY!?
HOWEVER!
THE ENEMY LINE IS STILL QUITE WIDESPREAD. I BELIEVE IT IS WISEST TO HOLD OFF AND ONLY USE THIS SHIP AGAINST THE NUCLEUS OF THE ENEMY FORCES.

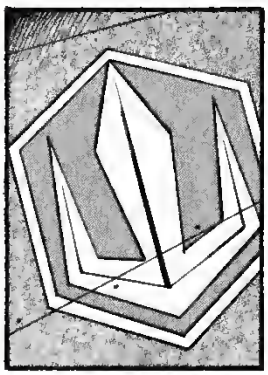
WELL FINE...
I HAVE NEW ORDERS FOR YOU...
ALL FOR YOUR OWN IMAGE...
EVERYTHING IS PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO THE BATTLE PLAN I PROMISE YOU THE UTMOST RESULTS.
WHAT I'M SAYING IS JUST THAT IF WE DO NOT SHOW ANY RESULTS BY PUTING THE SHIROGANE INTO ACTION WE ARE WILL SET A BAD EXAMPLE INFRONT OF THE OTHER PARTS OF THE MILITARY.
OPEN THE FILE WITH YOUR AUTHORITY AS CAPTAIN AND CONFIRM THE CONTENTS.
CAPTAIN, WE'VE RECIEVED A CLASSIFIED FILE.
PON
ISURUGI HEAVY INDUSTRIES NEEDS OUR HELP AND IT'S NOT A BAD IDEA TO HAVE A MAJOR DEFENSE CONTRACTOR OWE US A FAVOR...
TO BE DONE AT THE SAME TIME AS THE CURRENT ASSIGNMENT?
PHILI STINE...
THAT IS ALL.
EARTH FEDERATION PARLIAMENT BUILDING - JAPAN
OFFICERS LIKE THAT REALLY REPRESENT THE CURRENT STATE OF THE MILITARY...
NOT ONLY THAT... ONE WONDERS WHAT KIND OF IMPACT THE NEW POLITICAL ADMINISTRATION WILL HAVE ON US IN THE ARMED FORCES...

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHO HAVE ASSEMBLED IN THE TEMPORARY PARLIAMENT.
TEMPORARY PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLY HALL
AS THE NEWLY INAUGURATED PRESIDENT OF THE EARTH FEDERATION...
I AM BRIAN MIDCRID.
THERE IS SOMETHING I FEEL I MUST SHARE WITH YOU ALL.
NO, EVERY LIVING ORGANISM ON THIS PLANET...
RIGHT NOW, THE EARTH FEDERATION...
IS FACING THE FEARSOME THREAT OF EXTINCTION.

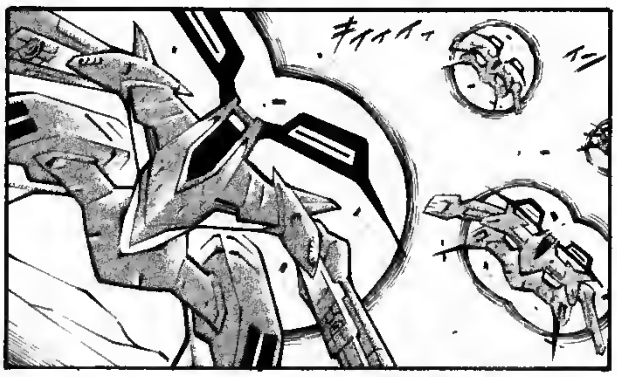


BIAN ZOLDARK, THE BRILLIANT SCIENTIST WHO RAISED THE FLAG OF REVOLT AGAINST THE EARTH FEDERATION...





I AM SURE MANY OF YOU STILL REMEMBER THE REASON HE FORMED HIS MILITARY ORGANIZATION, "THE DIVINE CRUSADERS", AND BROUGHT ABOUT THE DC WAR...

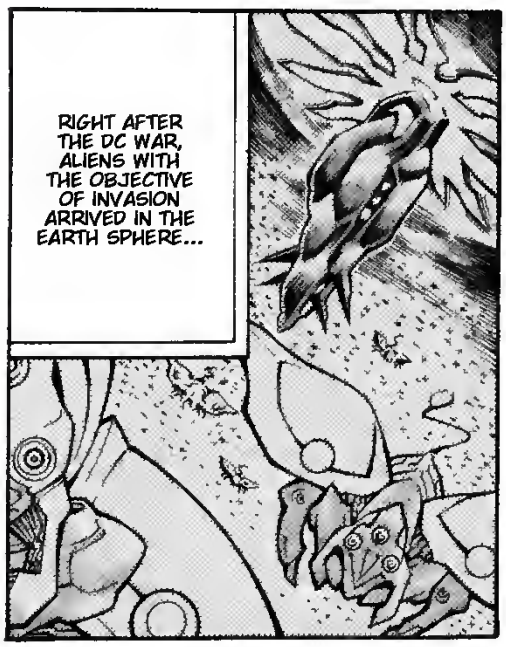


IN OTHER WORDS, ALIENS...

THE POSSIBILITY OF THE EARTH BEING INVADED BY AN INTELLIGENT EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL LIFE FORM...

HUMANITY HAS NO PLACE TO RUN!

RIGHT AFTER THE DC WAR, ALIENS WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF INVASION ARRIVED IN THE EARTH SPHERE...



HAS NOW VERY MUCH COME TO PASS!

THE PRETEXT LAID FORTH BY DR. BIAN...

AS WELL AS A BATTLE OF RESISTANCE ON BEHALF OF ALL LIVING BEINGS ON EARTH.
IT WAS BOTH A SURPRISE ATTACK AGAINST THE BRIDGEHEAD OF THE ALIENS WHO CAME TO CONQUER EARTH...
THE LARGE SCALE BATTLE, CALLED THE LS CAMPAIGN, THAT TOOK PLACE AT LAGRANGE POINT FIVE...
NO...
LUCKILY THE FEDERATION FORCES WERE VICTORIOUS IN THIS BATTLE.
IT WASN'T LUCK!
FEDDIE SCUM!
CIVILIAN COOPERATORS, REMAINING DC FORCES, PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT RACES AND BELIEFS OVERCAME THEIR DIFFERENCES...
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GO DOWN! GO DOWN!
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JUST DIE ALREADY!!
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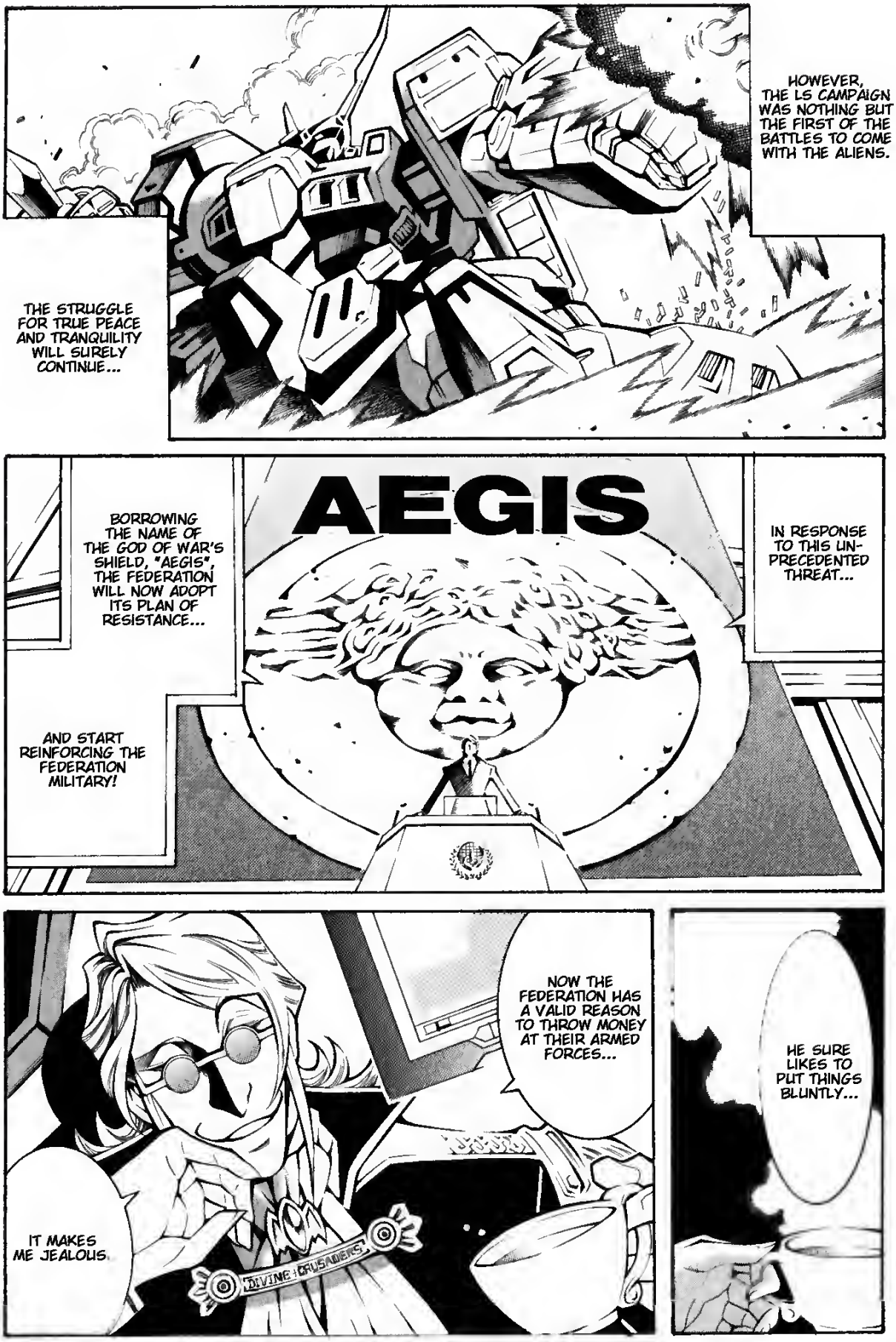
THIS BATTLE WAS WON THANKS TO ALL OF HUMANITY UNITING AS ONE!
DAMN REM-NANT!


HOWEVER, THE LS CAMPAIGN WAS NOTHING BUT THE FIRST OF THE BATTLES TO COME WITH THE ALIENS.
THE STRUGGLE FOR TRUE PEACE AND TRANQUILITY WILL SURELY CONTINUE...
AEGIS
BORROWING THE NAME OF THE GOD OF WAR'S SHIELD, "AEGIS", THE FEDERATION WILL NOW ADOPT ITS PLAN OF RESISTANCE...
IN RESPONSE TO THIS UN-PRECEDENTED THREAT...
AND START REINFORCING THE FEDERATION MILITARY!
NOW THE FEDERATION HAS A VALID REASON TO THROW MONEY AT THEIR ARMED FORCES...
IT MAKES ME JEALOUS.
DIVINE CRUSADERS
HE SURE LIKES TO PUT THINGS BLUNTLY...

DC GRAY STORK CLASS BATTLE SHIP - SAENA.
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MAJOR ARCHIBALD, WE CANNOT STOP THE ENEMY ASSAULT SQUAD. IT IS HEADING FOR OUR MAIN GROUND FORCES.
I SEE, THEN LET US WORRY ABOUT THE PRESENT RATHER THAN THE FUTURE, SHALL WE?
HAVE YUUKI'S SQUAD ENGAGE THEM FROM THE SIDE.
BECAUSE IN OUR CURRENT SITUATION EVEN RETREAT WILL BE DIFFICULT.
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EXCELLEN, WHERE IS OUR BACKUP?
LT. KYOUSUKE, THEY'RE GATHERING ON THE LEFT FLANK!
BAM
THEY'RE ON THE FIRST DEFENSE LINE, HURRYING OVER HERE
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BAGOOo
UM...

ROG-...!
NO WAY BUT FORWARD, AS USUAL!
I GUESS WE HAVE NO CHOICE THEN... WE'LL HAVE TO BREAK THROUGH A WEAK SPOT BEFORE THEY COMPLETELY SURROUND US.
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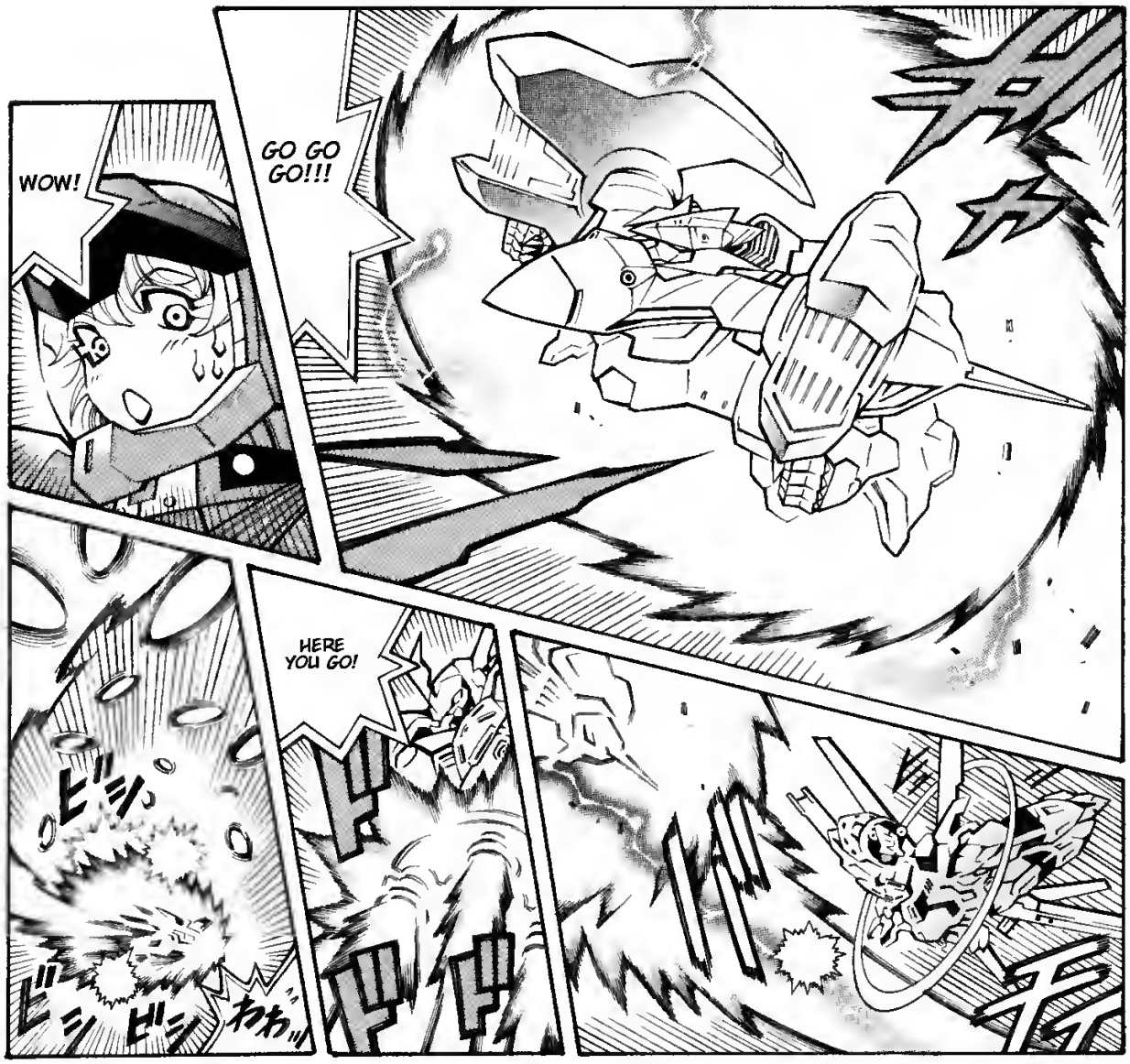
LIEU-TENANT!
HMM, HE MANAGED TO DODGE THAT ONE?
GOOD INST-INCTS.
SONIC BREAKER!
DEPLOYING BREAK FIELD.


WOW!
GO GO GO!!!
HERE YOU GO!
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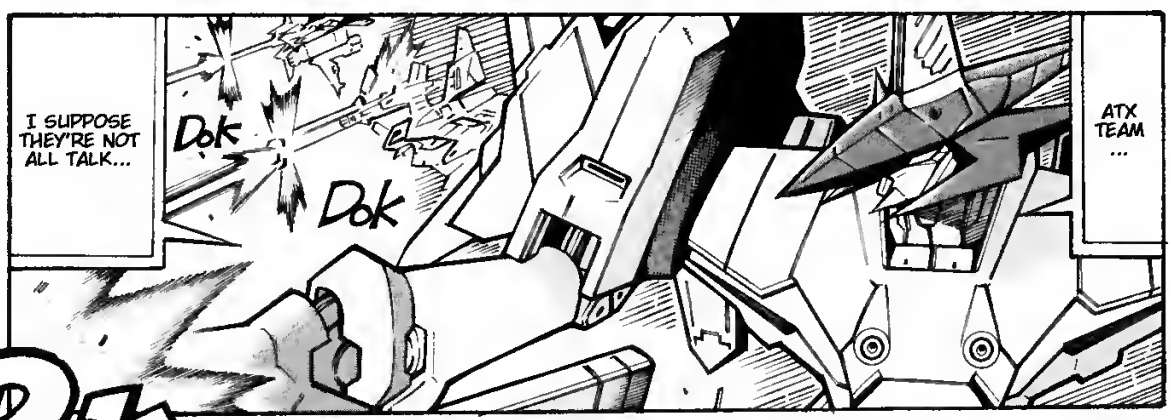
YUU, THESE GUYS ARE TOUGH!
THAT ONE STILL MANAGED TO HIT ME!?


I SUPPOSE THEY'RE NOT ALL TALK...
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DOK
ATX TEAM ...

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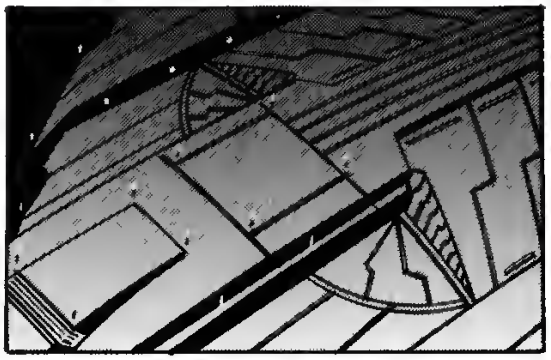
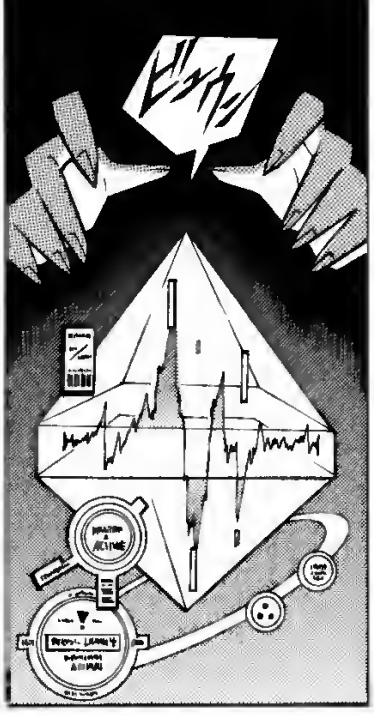


THIS IS...?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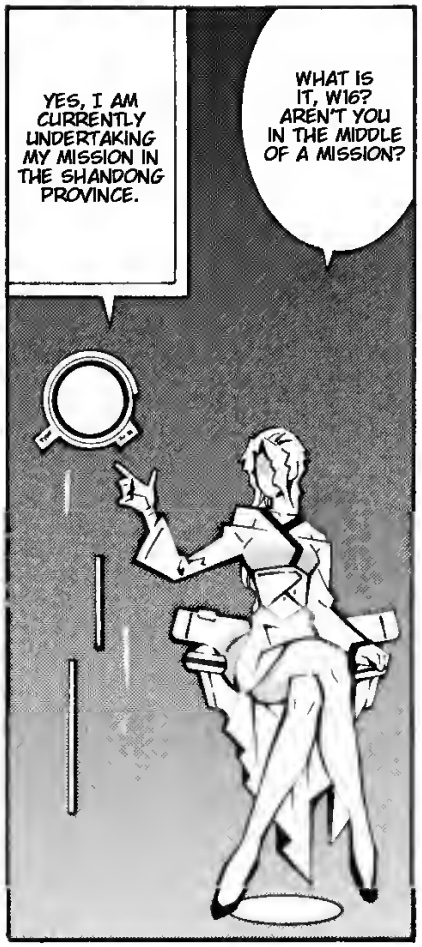
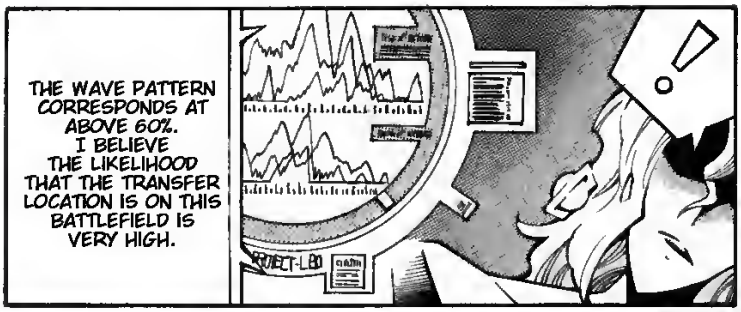
DURING OBSERVATION OF THE BATTLE FIELD I DETECTED INCOMING SPACIAL TRANSFER WAVES.


WHAT IS IT, W16? AREN'T YOU IN THE MIDDLE OF A MISSION?
YES, I AM CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING MY MISSION IN THE SHANDONG PROVINCE.


THE WAVE PATTERN CORRESPONDS AT ABOVE 60%. I BELIEVE THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE TRANSFER LOCATION IS ON THIS BATTLEFIELD IS VERY HIGH.
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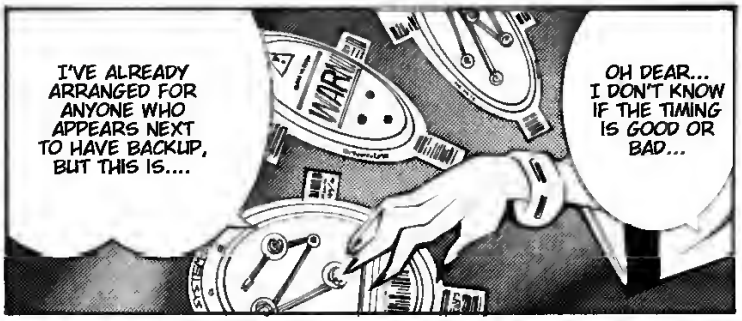
I'VE ALREADY ARRANGED FOR ANYONE WHO APPEARS NEXT TO HAVE BACKUP, BUT THIS IS....
OH DEAR... I DON'T KNOW IF THE TIMING IS GOOD OR BAD...

UM NO... IT'S NOT THE RIGHT TIME TO HAVE YOUR R-EINS TAKE THE SPOT LIGHT JUST YET...
SHOULD I INTERVENE AND TAKE CONTROL OF THE SITUATION?

UNDERSTOOD. RETURNING TO MY MISSION.
HIS MACHINE APPEARING NOW IS STILL WITHIN THE MISSION'S RANGE OF ERROR.
I'LL HAVE W1S TAKE ACTION IN STEAD...
NOW THEN...
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WOW!
THE MAIN FORCE HAS FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH US! AND THEY SURE ARE STURDY, AREN'T THEY!
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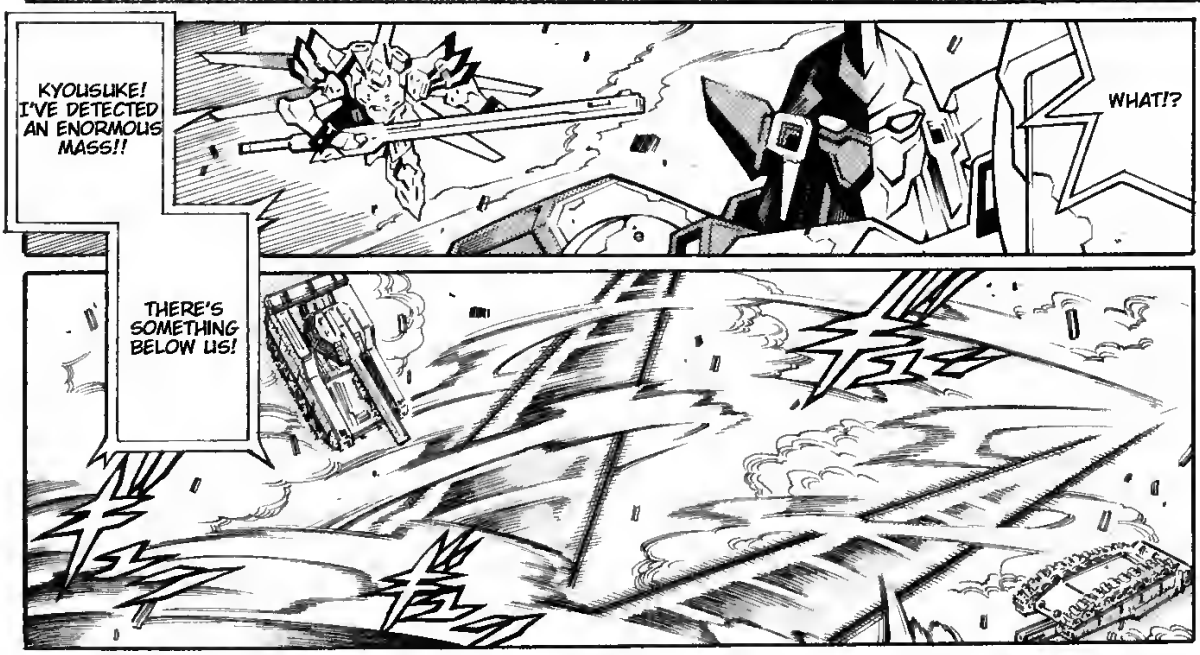
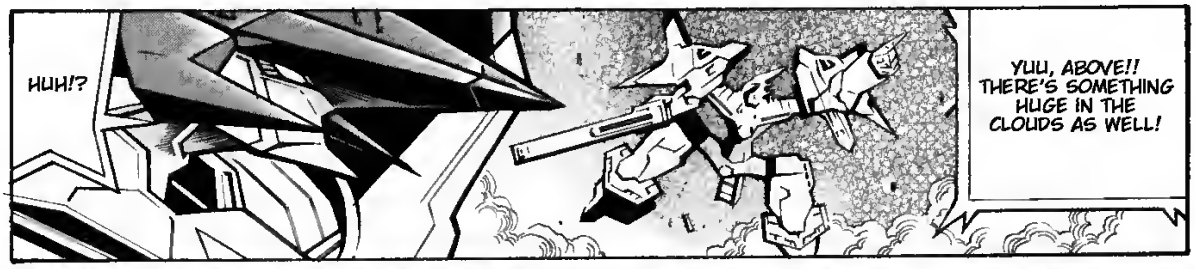
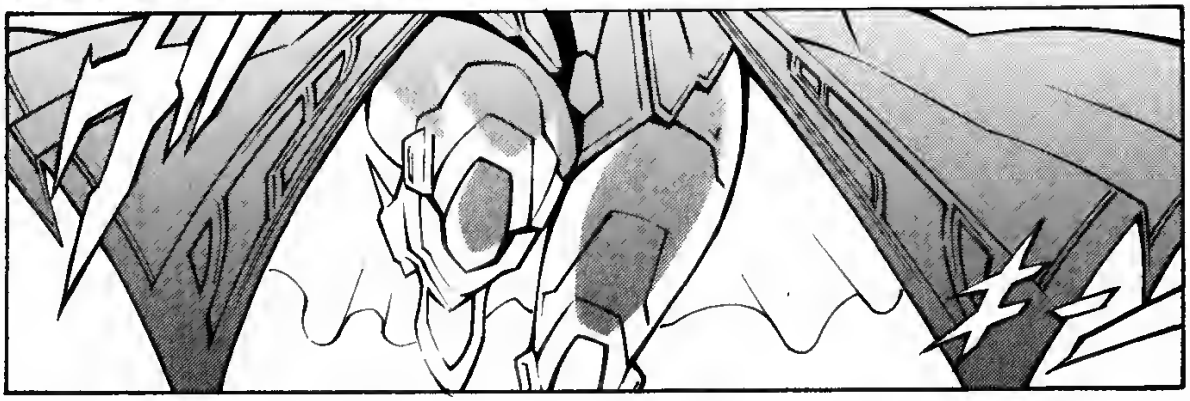

KYOUSUKE! I'VE DETECTED AN ENORMOUS MASS!!
WHAT!?
THERE'S SOMETHING BELOW US!


HUH!?
YUU, ABOVE!! THERE'S SOMETHING HUGE IN THE CLOUDS AS WELL!



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WHY DIDN'T YOU FIND THEM UNTIL NOW?!
TWO SPECIAL UNIT CLASS MACHINES HAVE APPEARED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE COMBAT ZONE!
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THERE IS DATA ON ONE OF THEM...?
THE SECRET FILE FROM BEFORE!?
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TWO OF THEM...
UNKNOWN 1
UNKNOWN 2
UNKNOWN SPECIAL UNITS...
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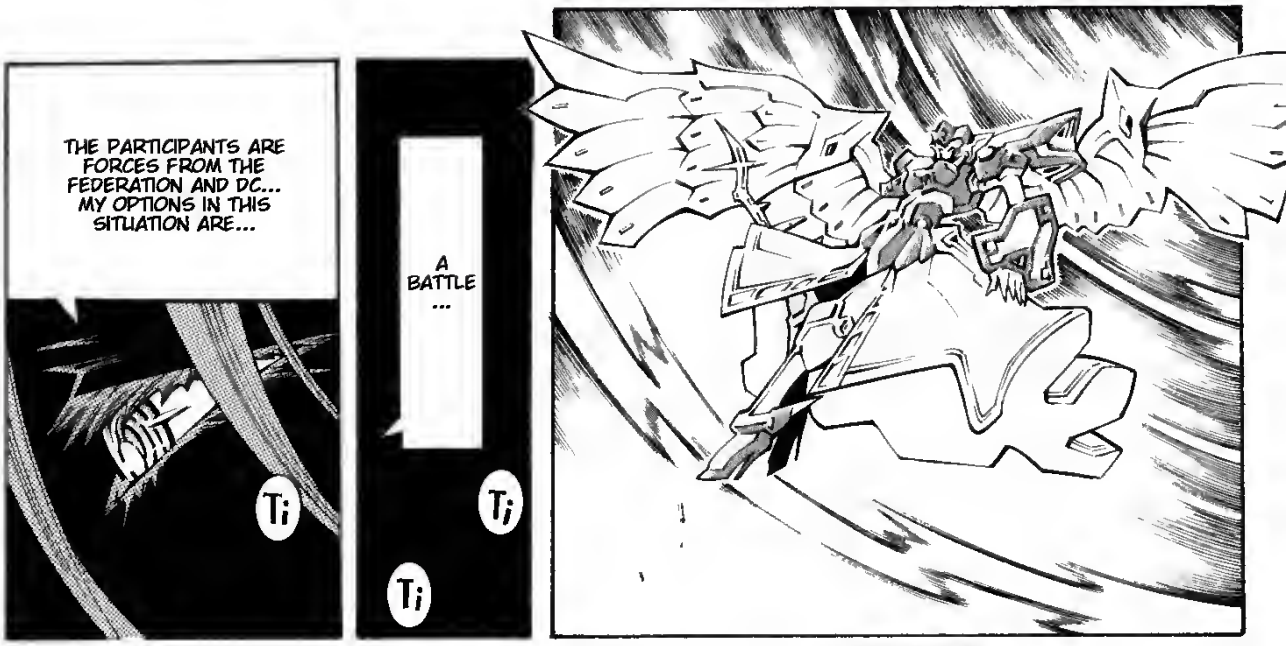
THE PARTICIPANTS ARE FORCES FROM THE FEDERATION AND DC... MY OPTIONS IN THIS SITUATION ARE...
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A BATTLE ...
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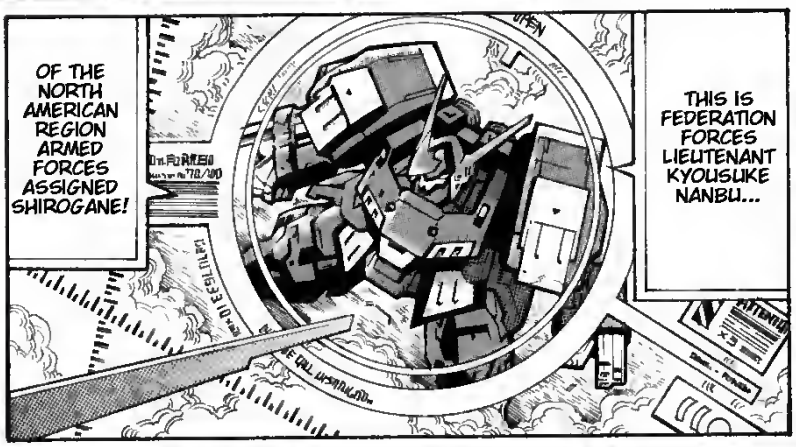
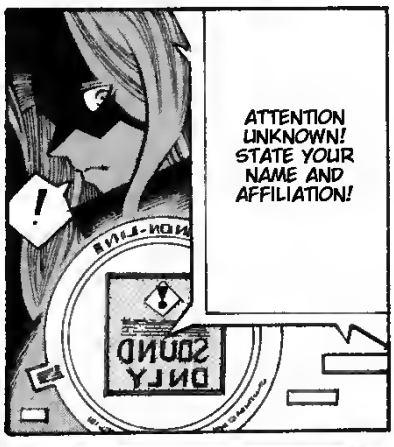

OF THE NORTH AMERICAN REGION ARMED FORCES ASSIGNED SHIROGANE!
THIS IS FEDERATION FORCES LIEUTENANT KYOUSUKE NANBU...


ATTENTION UNKNOWN! STATE YOUR NAME AND AFFILIATION!
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SOUND ONLY

GESPENST MK-III!
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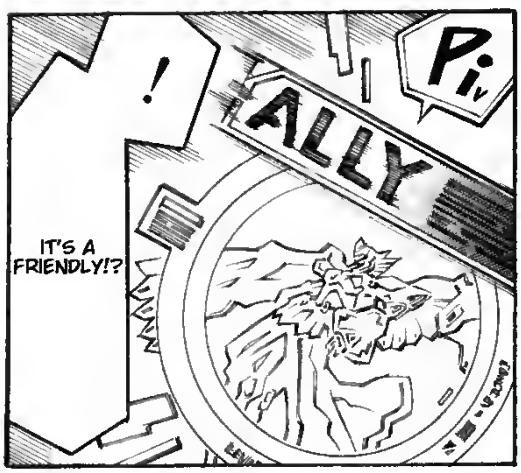
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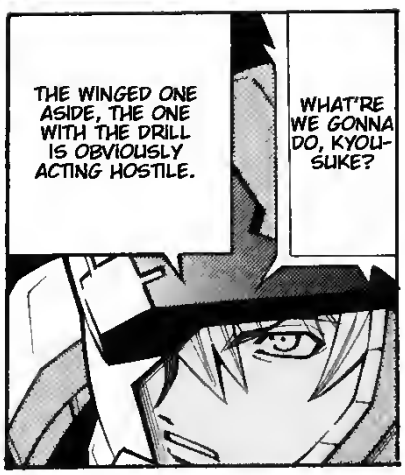
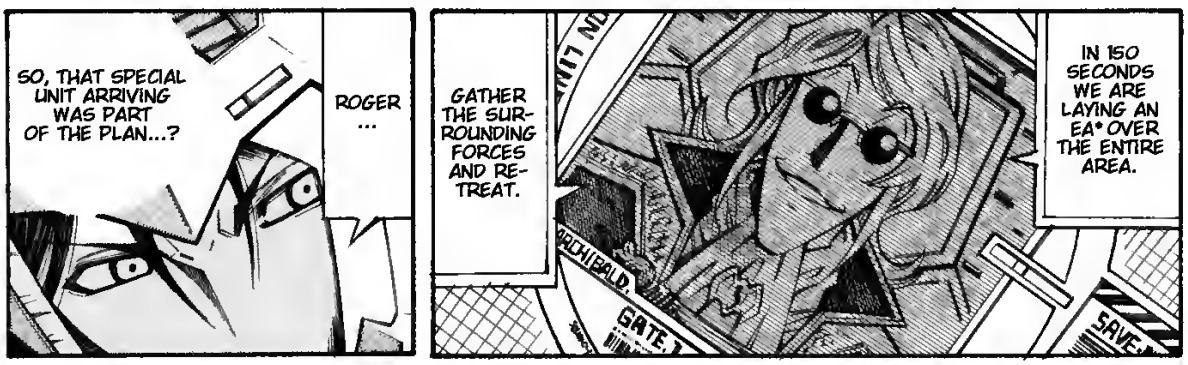
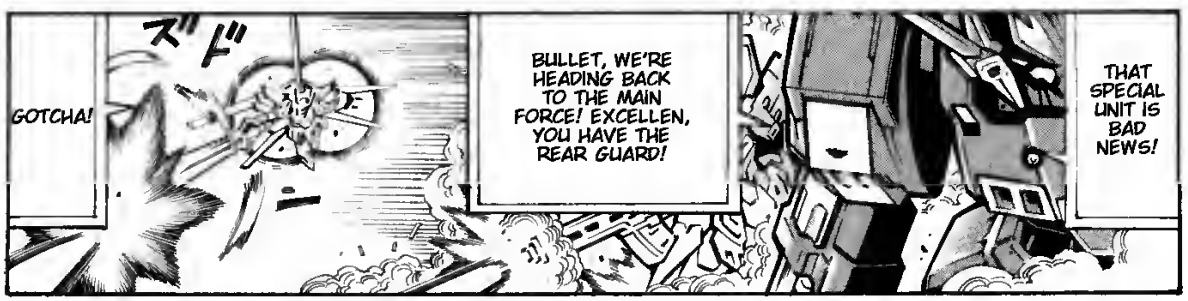
IT'S A FRIENDLY!?

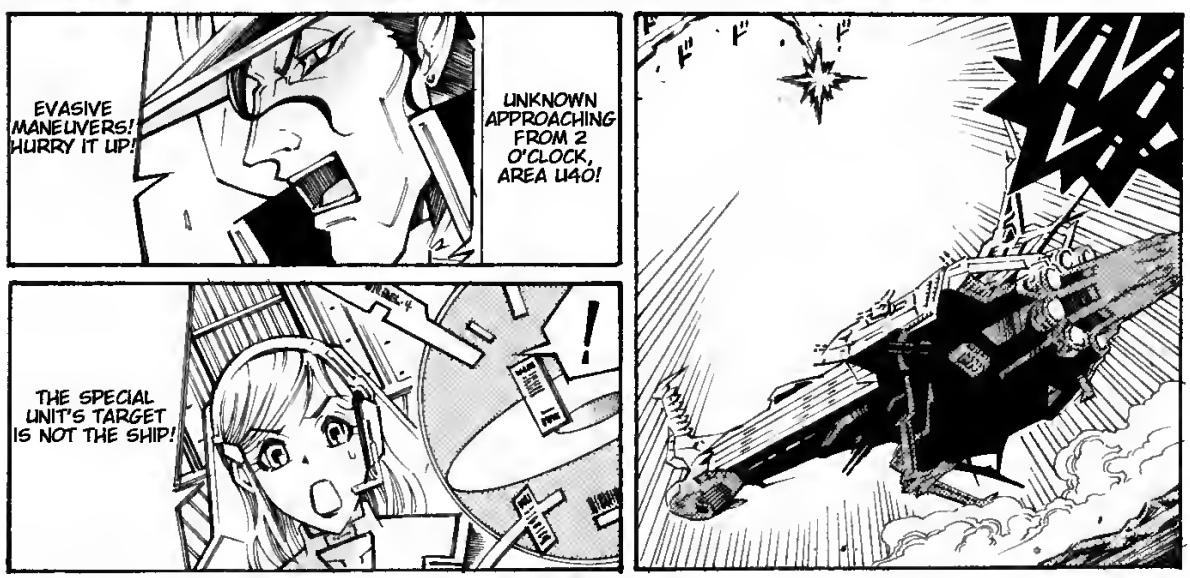
UNKNOWN 2
I'D LIKE IT IF THE WINGED ONE MADE ITS INTENTIONS CLEAR...


THE WINGED ONE ASIDE, THE ONE WITH THE DRILL IS OBVIOUSLY ACTING HOSTILE.
WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO, KYOUSUKE?

SHUT UP. DON'T THINK. OBEY.
IS THAT REALLY AN ALLY? BUT...
COOPERATE WITH THE ALLIED UNIT THAT JUST ARRIVED AND WIPE OUT THE OPPOSING FORCES.
PLATINUM 1 TO ASSAULT 1.
WOW, HE SURE WANTS EVERY-ONE TO KNOW WHO'S BOSS!
BUT THEN I GUESS IT'S OK TO THINK THAT SEXY DYNAMITE IS AN ALLY?
THE ONE WITH THE DRILL IS CARRYING THE DC EMBLEM... GUESS THAT ONE IS AN ALLY...?
IT OPENED FIRE!? SO THE WINGED ONE BELONGS TO THE FEDERATION?


SO, THAT SPECIAL UNIT ARRIVING WAS PART OF THE PLAN...?
ROGER ...
GATHER THE SURROUNDING FORCES AND RETREAT.
IN 150 SECONDS WE ARE LAYING AN EA* OVER THE ENTIRE AREA.





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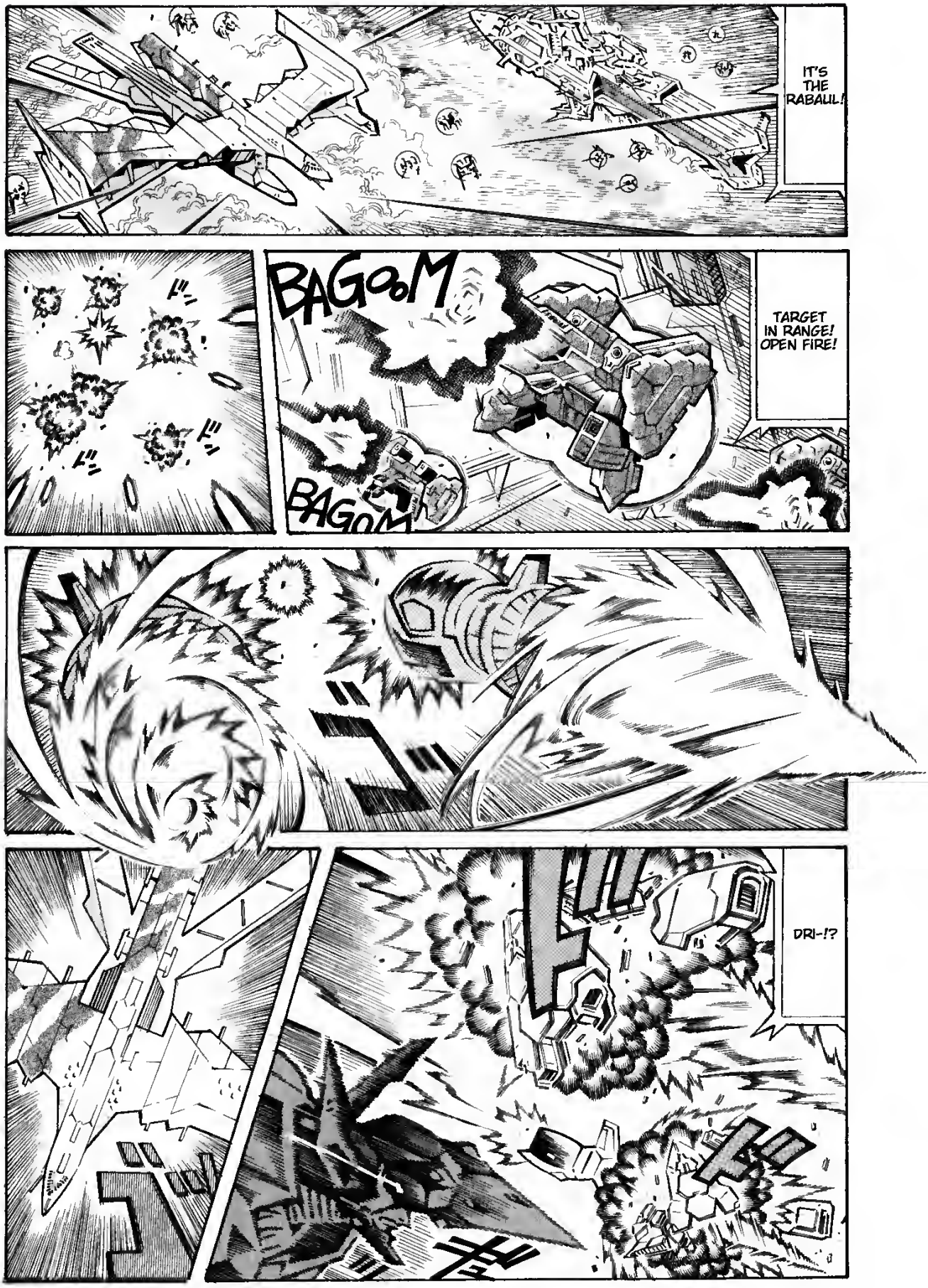
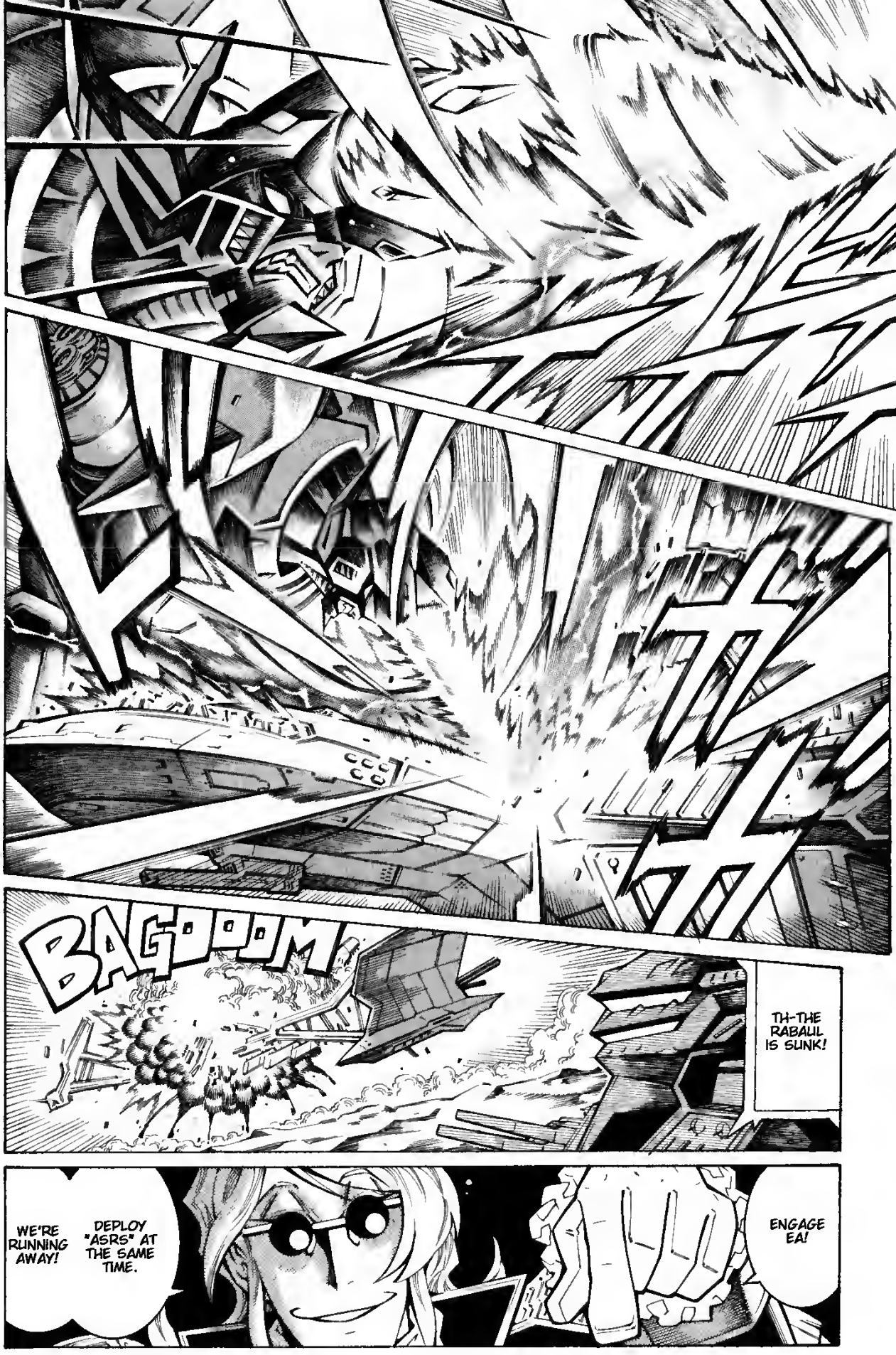

IT'S THE RABAUL!
BAGOOM
BAGOM
TARGET IN RANGE! OPEN FIRE!
DRI-!?


BAG-O-O-M
TH-THE RABAUL IS SUNK!
ENGAGE EA!
DEPLOY "ASRS" AT THE SAME TIME.
WE'RE RUNNING AWAY!

IT'S OFFLINE!
GIVE ME A SATELITE LINK!
KUH!
TOTAL RADAR BLACK OUT! IT'S A HIGH POWERED EA! UNABLE TO LOCATE THE ENEMY!
ERROR
CAUTION
UH!
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IT'S RE-TREATING...
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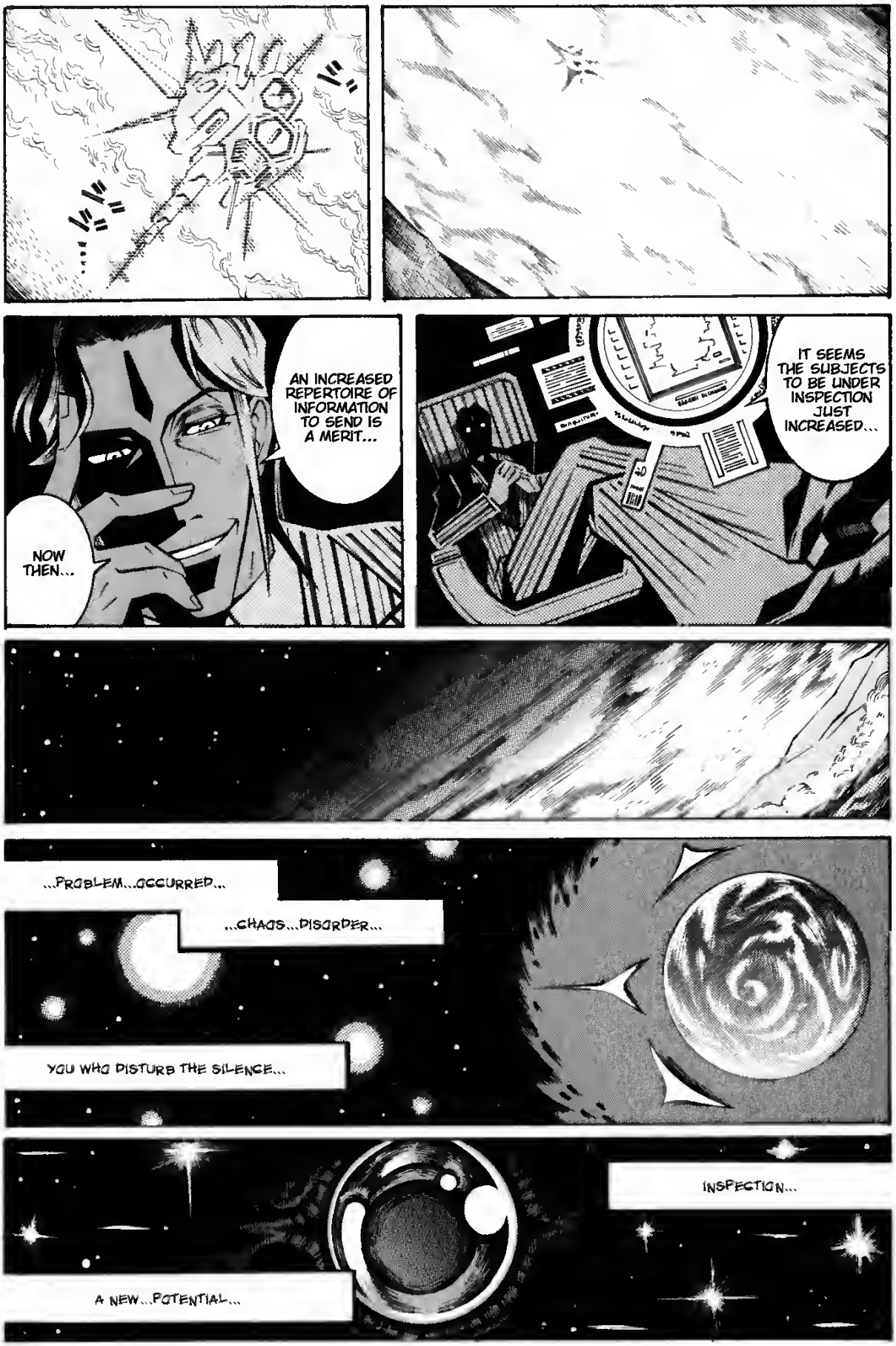
BEOWULF...
THAT SURE WASN'T A SATISFYING END...


AN INCREASED REPERTOIRE OF INFORMATION TO SEND IS A MERIT...
NOW THEN...
IT SEEMS THE SUBJECTS TO BE UNDER INSPECTION JUST INCREASED...
...PROBLEM...OCCURRED...
...CHAOS...DISORDER...
YOU WHO DISTURB THE SILENCE...
INSPECTION...
A NEW...POTENTIAL...

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